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SUGAR THE COMING BOOM.

Instead of sugar having passed its golden age, that gorgeous period is yet to come. At least such appears to be the opinion of the London Daily Chronicle. That paper anticipates that the next great boom will be in sugar—and, for English capital, Cuban sugar.

"Now that the rubber and oil booms have reached a stage of comparative quiescence," the Chronicle begins, "many people are looking out for another boom. Is anything of the kind in sight? Is there another instance of a great staple commodity, the consumption of which threatens to outrun production, and to create a veritable world-wide shortage?"

In venturing an answer to these questions, the paper starts out by showing that, while in the past ten years the prices of nearly all edibles and of most staples have progressively advanced, sugar by comparison, has scarcely risen at all. Sugar is dearer than it was a decade ago, but it is nothing like so much dearer as are corn, wheat, cotton, timber, beef, oil, rubber, flour, cheese, and so forth. There is therefore a prima facie reason, the London paper says, for thinking that sugar's turn has still to come. Then the present sugar situation is described in the following paragraphs:

Thirty years ago the Americans used only 50 lb. of sugar per head; today they use 82 lb. Taking the world as a whole, the consumption of sugar increases at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum. The businesses dealing with confectionery, mineral waters, jam and pickles, biscuits, brewing and distilling, canning and preserving, all require sugar in ever-growing quantities.

The production has not kept pace with the increasing demand. Trustworthy statistics put the world's output for the current year at a lower figure than its output for 1906-7, and only some 3,000,000 tons above the output for 1901-2. On August 31st, 1906, it was calculated that the world's visible supply of sugar amounted to about 2,000,000 tons, which at that time was enough for two months' consumption. On August 31st this year it is not expected that the visible supply will exceed 1,000,000 tons; and 1,000,000 tons today is less than sufficient for a single month's consumption.

The Chronicle then strikes an equation between cane and beet sugars. "A few years ago," it mentions, "it was thought that the bounty fed beet sugar might ultimately drive the production of cane sugar out of existence. But the bounties are no more, and for the current year the output of cane sugar is expected to exceed that of beet by no less than 1,300,000 tons—7,780,000 tons of cane to 6,450,000 tons of beet." Practically all the beet sugar produced in Europe is consumed there, all the cane sugar produced in India is consumed on the spot, while the million tons or so produced in Java have this year been mainly consumed in China or Japan—according to the Chronicle, but as a matter of fact Java white sugar, being about one-fifth of its output, is rapidly driving German and Austrian sugar out of India. There remains the United States, and the London paper points out that the Americans "take nearly a quarter of the world's whole production of sugar; their consumption increases annually by 200,000 tons—in 1920 they will be absorbing well over 5,000,000 tons; and with one exception their sources of supply are yielding today all they are ever likely to yield." The Chronicle concludes with its prediction of a boom in Cuban sugar, thus:

Cuba produces today some 1,500,000 tons of cane sugar annually, practically all of which goes to America. But she might produce—and herein her position is unique—far more than that. How much more it is difficult to estimate, but the facts that only about 5 per cent of the island is under any kind of cultivation; that the fertility of the soil and the salubrity of the climate have made it possible to grow sugar on the same land continuously and profitably for over a hundred years; that labor is plentiful and highly skilled, and that English and American capitalists are rapidly introducing modern and scientific methods on a large scale, and producing sugar at a price which would enable them to undersell their beet competitors even in Europe point to an indefinite capacity for expansion. The next boom, therefore, will be in sugar—and "Cubans."

There is no question of the felt vacancy in Honolulu's business organizations which the projected Realty Board is designed to fill. So far as regulating the transactions of real estate brokers is concerned, the Board will no doubt succeed in eliminating friction and unbusinesslike rivalry. It should also standardize commissions as well as valuations. To the public the most important promise of the promoters of the organization is that it will work for the beautification of residence districts, and their protection from unsightly neighborhood features. With the real estate interests behind such a purpose, it should be easier in the future than it has hitherto been to promote building reform. Moreover, the organization will constitute a working entity in high to center the movement for bringing here people who are scanning the map of the world for the most pleasant and restful place for homes.

At the primaries, opening on Friday, there will be an opportunity of showing that the Republican party is bigger than any faction. Only let those voters of the party who place good government above all else resolve that neither conspirators nor grafters shall grasp power, and there need be no fear that the Republicans will not present a front in the elections which friends and foes will be bound to respect.

Instead of being confined to Federal officials, the Congressional inquiry into the "third degree" practice appears to be a general one. The San Francisco Chronicle has the following remarks upon the subject, containing sentiments similar to those lately expressed by The Star:

The commission is acting under the provision of the Federal Constitution, which forbids cruel and unusual punishment, and there is every probability that before it completes its labors it will have gained sufficient information to satisfy Congress that the practice is widely prevalent in the United States, and that legislation is needed to put an end to the growing propensity to recur to the methods of the Middle Ages.

No more dangerous power could be entrusted to the police than that which they constantly exercise, of attempting to secure information from suspected or accused persons

Uncle Walt

The Poet Philosopher

Don't tell me now, my Willie boy, of dazzling things you mean to do; for threats of that sort but annoy a sage whose years are not a few. I've noticed, in the passing years that those who seek the higher ways get down and work like brindle steers, and leave the talking graft for jays. I do not care a red for schemes, unless you work and watch and weep; I do not give a whoop for dreams, unless you have them in your sleep. You Willie boys make golden plans, and all your plans to you seem good; but I will bet my pile on Hans who gets his saw and cuts the wood. You Willie boys are throwing fits o'er fortunes that will come to pass; but I admire the curves of Fritz, whose safety scythe is cutting grass. You Willie boys are scheming how to keep your fingers white and nice; but I have marked the sweat-stained brow of Hiram, who puts up the ice. Oh, Willie, if you'd really nail some honey in this busy hive, quit dreaming—get to work like Hail Columbia, and you'll arrive.

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WALT MASON.

by a resort to trickery or punishment. The practice leads directly to gross abuses, and frequently results in the conviction of innocent persons.

The criminal hunted down by the sleuth and subjected to refined tortures to secure from him an admission of guilt or to compel him to betray his accomplices is not near so great an enemy of society as those who violate the laws which guarantee to every accused person a fair trial.

It is more important that liberty should be safeguarded than it is to secure the punishment of every one charged with crime. If the evidence to convict cannot be obtained by regular methods, it is far better to let the guilty escape than to resort to the "third degree."

Washington has started an anti-fly crusade, offering a bounty of four cents a hundred for dead flies brought to the health office. Other cities are following the example. "A better way, however," an exchange sensibly remarks, "would be to keep the cities clean. It doesn't do much good to kill flies, for while a hundred are being collected a thousand are born. The thing to do is to get rid of the breeding beds. Almost invariably these are in stable refuse and garbage."

It will be remembered that the Advertiser tried to make a political deal with a man whom it later—after he had scorned its overtures—called a yellow dog. Nice paper that to preach political morality.

CUDAHY SCANDAL ENDS IN DIVORCE COURT

(Special Cable to The Star.)

KANSAS CITY, August 23.—Mrs. Jack Cudahy, wife of the millionaire meat packer, whose home was the center of a sensational scandal a few months ago, when her husband assaulted and nearly killed a midnight caller whom he found with her, was divorced today with alimony of one dollar.

ONE SPEECH ALREADY

UTICA, New York, August 23.—President Roosevelt, who left Oyster Bay today on a tour of the west, made a speech in passing through here in which he came out strongly for conservation policies. He also discussed political morality, speaking for higher ideals in public life.

FRANKLIN, Pa., August 23.—Joseph C. Sibley, candidate for Congress on the Republican ticket, has been compelled to withdraw by exposures of a corrupt conspiracy to get votes. Sibley has been arrested on a criminal charge, on account of the exposures, and his name has been stricken from the party ticket.

The facts revealed show that Sibley spent \$32,000 in his district in the effort to win his election to Congress.

TORNADO IN MICHIGAN.

LUDINGTON, Mich., August 23.—A million dollars damage was done here today by a tornado.

KAUAI ITINERARY

Leave the Maun Kea at Nawiliwili and drive overland, thirty miles, to Hanalei and there meet the steamer and continue the voyage around the island and drive overland, thirty miles, to the ten dollar excursion. It is an extra which a number of persons who have booked consider worth the money. The drive across country is said to be a good one and the roads are unexcelled in the territory. The start from here will be made at nine o'clock on Saturday night and from Nawiliwili, for those who go overland, at six in the morning.

The approach to Nawiliwili is something that will be long remembered by those who go on the excursion. The tall peaks, lighted by the sun's rays at an early hour in the morning, make a beautiful picture. The ride around Hanalei, from the first port, is a journey full of interest to the malihini, and to the kamaaina who has not made the trip. There is no better bathing anywhere than at Hanalei and ample time is to be given passengers to indulge in a scramble with old Neptune at this place. The bookings up to date are a guarantee of success. The party will be a good one, made up of congenial people. The time to decide whether or not you will go is before the berths are taken. Book at the Inter-Island office, Queen Street.

M. I. Silva, who was arrested yesterday on a warrant sworn to by Cap-

tain Wall of the wrecked barkentine Helga, was committed to the circuit court for trial this morning by Judge Andrade. This case is the first one resulting from the taking of coal from the barkentine which went ashore off Waikiki on August 11.

E. J. Lord, who was arrested last night for speeding his automobile on Bishop street near Hotel, had his case at the request of his attorney Frank E. Thompson continued until August 30. The rest of the cases on the calendar were continued.

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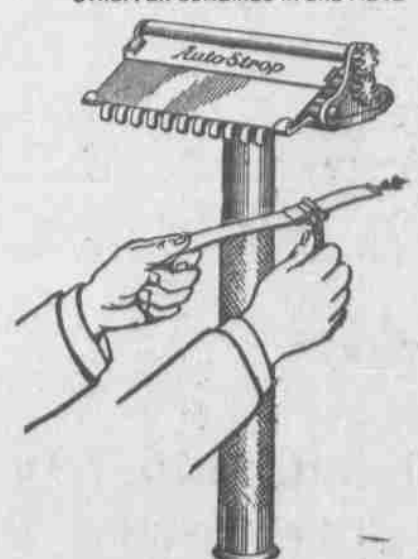
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